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HARDY PLANTS FOR FALL PLANTING

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Phlox— Summer's Finest Flower

Phlox are the most effective and useful garden plants during July, August and September. No plants can equal their vivid display of color. Their panicles of crimson and scarlet, glistening pink and salmons, pure shining whites, and purple-blue create a garden of brilliance. We have discontinued growing all poorer and antiquated varieties and offer you only those varieties that have better colors, more freedom of bloom, stronger habit, and greater freedom from disease. Plant 12 to 18 inches apart in soil that has been deeply enriched with rotted manure and they will look so much better if you will plant 3 or more plants of a kind in a group. Come to see our young Phlox plants which are in bloom from now until frost.

PHLOX PRICES: Unless otherwise stated, plants are 25c each; 3 of one kind for 60c; or \$200 per dozen of a kind; 35c plants are 3 for \$1.00, or \$3.00 per dozen.

Choice Varieties

AFRICA. Brilliant carmine-red, with blood-red eye.

B. COMPTE, Rich, satiny, amaranth-red, Darkest red of all.

BARON VON DEDUM. Salmon-rose. Long bloomer and very popular.

BORDER QUEEN. Watermelon pink—an improved Jules Sandeau. Florets large as a silver dollar. New.

DAILY SKETCH. Choice. Immense trusses and extra large florets of glistening salmon-pink with carmine eye. 35c each or 3 for \$1.00.

DELHI. Best white with red eye.

EIPLOMAT. Largest and purest white yet offered. Heavy deep green for iage.

ECLAIREUR. Rosy-purple.

E. I. FARRINGTON. Soft salmon pink with bright eye. Very pretty. Better than Columbia or Lillian.

LEO SCHLAGATER. Brilliant scarlet in large heads, 35c eacl:.

MRS. W. G. HARDING. A deep rose; faintly flushed scarlet. Choice and new.

P. D. WILLIAMS. Enormous flowers in pyramidal trusses. Soft rose-pink with darker center, 35c each or 3 for \$1.00.

RUBY. Splendid crimson-red.

ROYAL PURPLE, Best purple-blue.

SALADIN. Brilliant orange-scarlet. Very showy. 35c each.

SWEETHEART. Very large flowers of a deep salmony-rose. New, 35c each or 3 for \$1.00.

TIGRESS. New. Huge trusses of orange-searlet. 35c each. or 3 for \$1.00.

Phlox Subulata

Low spreading plants, with mossy evergreen foliage, and solid sheets of flowers in late April and May. Excellent for rockery, front of the hardy border, and for covering terraces, dry hillsides and graves.

PRICES: All varieties, except Camla, are 25c each or 3 plants of one kind for 60c, or \$2.00 per dozen.

ALBA. White flowered form. Lovely.

AUTUMN ROSE. Blooms in May and early June and again in September and October. Bright rose with large red center.

BLUE HILLS. Blue flowers, tinged lavender.

BRILLIANT. The most colorful display of all, a bright crimson-red. Admired by all.

CAMLA. Considered one of the best of this section. Subulata form, but more loose and graceful in habit. The very large flowers are a lovely shade of glistening salmonpink. It flowers freely in May and intermittently throughout the summer and fall. Rare. 35c each.

ROSEA. The well-known popular rosy-pink variety. A great spreader.

VIVID. A compact grower. Bright clear pink with a darker

Hemerocallis

With the introduction of improved forms of the Day Lily there has been an increased interest in their use in our gardens.

DUMORTIERI. A dwarf grower, 2 feet. A rich cadmium yellow in June. 25c each or 3 for 60c.

GEO. YELD. Large flowers, nearly 6 inches across. Outer petals rich orange, inner petals flushed orange scarlet. July. \$1.00 each.

HYPERION. Soft canary-yellow flowers of immense size. \$1.00 each.

IRIS PERRY. Very large flowers of deep golden yellow. \$1.00 each.

MIKADO. A rich yellow with a conspicuous orange-scarlet zone. 50c each.

THUNBERGII. A popular yellow in July. 25c each; 3 for 60c or \$2.00 per dozen.

* FOR SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER

Popular Lilies

MADONNA LILY (Lilium candidum). This is also called the June Lily, because it gives us lovely, well known and popular, waxen white lilies in late June and early July. 3 to 4 feet high. Plant not over 3 inches deep. Three large bulbs for 60c or \$2.00 per dozen.

RED RUSSIAN LILY (Lilium elegans). A dwarf Lily of easy culture and very desirable. Clusters of large erect flowers in June and July of an orange-red color. 15 to 18 inches high. 3 for 60c or \$2.00 per dozen.

FORMOSA LILY (Lilium formosanum). Most remarkable Lily introduced in recent years. The white trumpets are much longer and narrower than those of the Regar Lily and bloom in September and October. Easy culture in well drained soil. Plant 6 inches deep. 3 for 60c or \$2.00 per dozen.

REGAL LILY (Lilium Regale). It is one of the most beautiful and hardiest of Lilies. The abundance of sweet-scented flowers are white, with the outside or back having a pinkish tinge which makes it very lovely. The plants grow from 3 to 5 feet high and are very floriferous when well established, bearing as high as 18 to 20 flowers in July. Plant 6 inches deep in well drained soil. Three large blooming size bulbs for 60c or \$2.00 per doz.

TIGER LILY. (Lilium tigrinum). An old favorite with very easy culture, A deep orange lily with black spots. August bloomer, 4 to 5 feet high, 3 for 60c or \$2.00 per dozen.

CORAL LILY (Lilium tenuifolium). A charming little gem of the family with deep scarlet flowers on 18 inch stems in June. Everyone adores it. Plant in well drained soil. 3 for 45c or \$1.50 per dozen.

Delphinium

The following varieties are superb:

BELLADONNA IMPROVED. Large flowers and sturdy growth makes it a fine light blue. 3 for 50c; \$1.80 per dozen.

BELLAMOSUM IMPROVED. A large dark blue with flowers of a deeper, richer and more uniform color, 3 for 50c; \$1.80 per dozen.

BLACKMORE AND LANGDON HYBRIDS. A choice strain with flowers ranging from the darkest to the lightest blues and many doubles therein. 3 for 60c; \$2.00 per doz.

September and October is an ideal time for planting most perennials and rock plants. When planted at this time, they become established in early fall and they do not receive a set-back as from spring planting. Most spring blooming plants are best planted in the fall. Come to our gardens and make your selection from our 350 varieties of hardy plants,

Plants ordered from this folder will be sent post-paid.

Peonies

Peonies, of well chosen kinds, produce magnificent, colorful and fragrant bloom for over a month in late Spring. In planting this old favorite, dig the soil deeply and entich it with well-decayed manure or bonemeal or both and the plants should be set so that the buds will be exactly two inches under the surface of the ground. We send you strong three to five eye undivided plants this fall.

LE CYGNE. A white—the highest rated Peony in existence. \$1.00 each.

LONGFELLOW. A winner in bright crimson. 75c each. WALTER FAXON. A lovely soft coral-pink. 75c each.

German Iris

We grow a select list of the finer varieties in the more popular price range. Strong divisions are furnished.

DAUNTLESS. The most popular and widely known of the so-called red Iris. 25c each.

FRIEDA MOHR. A near-pink. 20c each.

GERMAINE PERTHIUS. A purplish blue. 20c each.

MME. GAUDICHAU. Velvety dark violet-blue. 20c each.

PEACHES. A warm and bright blend of peach, apricot, and crange. 25c each.

PLUIE d'OR. The best deep yellow, 20c each.

RAMESES. A delightful blend of rose, pink and buff. Very desirable. 25c each.

Siberian Iris

These lovely, wiry stemmed Iris are very graceful and bloom when the German Irises are finishing.

CAESAR. Deep blue. Unsurpassable. 20c each.

SNOW QUEEN. Pure white. 20c each.

SUNNYBROOK, Lovely sky-blue. 20c each,

Japanese Iris

In July, after other Irises are through blooming, the Japanese Irises flood the garden with their mammoth flowers, which are exquisitely beautiful. Needs a moist location or watered well during dry weather. Must not have a limy soil.

GOLD BOUND. A double pure white. 30c each.
MAHOGANY. A double mahogany red, 30c each.
UCHIN. A light blue, prettily mottled white. 30c each.

Dwarf Iris

These little Iris pumila, which grow from 4 to 6 inches high, are beautiful in the rock garden, as a border for flower beds and paths, and for planting around a pool. They bloom in early spring.

Colors of DEEP PURPLE, WHITE or YELLOW. Your choice: 15c each or 4 for 50c.

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Bleeding Heart

(Dicentra spectabilis)

Everyone loves the old-fashioned Bleeding Hearts Long drooping racemes of large pink heart-shaped flowers in May and June. Two feet high, Grows in sun or shade. You should have some of our strong clumps, 35c each.



Virginia Bluebells

The Virginia Bluebell (Mertensia virginica) is one of the most beautiful and a leader of the early spring flowering plants. The tubular, bell-like flowers, which hang in graceful clusters on 15 to 18 inch stems, are pink when in bud and change to a lovely gentian-blue when open. Will grow in full sun in the ordinary border, but very desirable for naturalizing in shade. The foliage dies down shortly after flowering. 3 for 50c, \$1.80 per dozen, or \$12.00 per hundred.

Oriental Poppies

For a gorgeous display of rich and brilliant colors in the border for May and June, nothing can compare with the Oriental Poppy. Its large cup-shaped flowers are borne on strong erect stems from 18 to 24 inches high

We offer the following varieties in strong field grown plants which have bloomed this year. Plant in August, September, and October only.

ORIENTALE. The orange type, which is really an orange scarlet. 25c each, 3 for 60c, or \$2.00 per dozen.

LULA A. NEELEY. The best blood-red variety. 35c each or 3 for \$1.00.

MANDARIN. Glorious, rich Chinese-red. Flowers 7 to 8 inches across. 35c each or 3 for \$1.00.

MAY QUEEN. A new double orange-scarlet. Really very attractive—more double and blooms two weeks earlier than any other kind. 25c each or 3 for 60c.

MRS. PERRY. Salmon-pink, The most popular "Pink" poppy, 35c each or 3 for \$1.00.

WUNDERKIND. Very large flowers of brilliant carmine-pink. 75c each.

BARR'S WHITE. A new and finer white. \$1.00 each.